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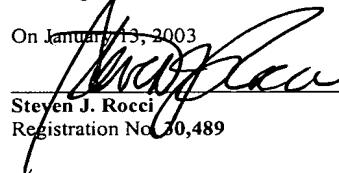
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RESPONSE

This is in response to the Office Action dated September 13, 2002 issued in connection with the above-captioned pending patent application. Reconsideration of the Office Action is respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.

REMARKS

Claims 1-24 are pending in this application. Claims 1-24 have been rejected. Claims 1, 5, 10, 15, 17, 22 and 23 are independent claims from which claims 2-4, 6-9, 11-14, 16, and 18-21 respectively depend. Claim 24 depends from claim 23.